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Jane, Mike, and David,

Many thanks for meeting with us on Monday. Reviewing your recent letter to us and hearing your expectations on each part was very helpful. Thanks for taking the time.

To keep you up dated, we have completed the review of the first three groupings of wells injecting into sub-3000 TDS aquifers outside the productive limits of oil fields established in 1982 – those that are injecting into aquifers that were never exempted (orders issued to 7 + 1 operators covering 12 wells – the additional order is attached), those that are injecting into aquifers that may or may not be exempted by virtue of the 1985 letter, and those wells not associated with projects for which information was insufficient to make a determination.

We are preparing 19 orders for information on those wells of concern in the second group (aquifers that may or may not be exempted). The orders will go out early next week upon conclusion of discussions with operators confirming that our data are correct.

In the review of the third group, wells outside the productive zones not attached to a project, the review had a tidbit of rare good news. All in that group fall into one of three categories: actually associated with a project and are permitted properly, producing oil wells, or are injecting into aquifers with TDS levels well above 3000. I realize we are not totally out of the woods on these, but at least we did not find any embarrassing surprises. We now will turn this set of data over to the Water Board for their review.

I shall keep you posted on the additional orders as they are issued. The operators potentially

affected are Chevron (16 wells), Macpherson and a small operator (two wells), Gray Development LLC (one well).

One final note, there is interest here in reaching out to Congressman Kevin McCarthy and meeting either with him or his staff in Bakersfield next week – assuming of course that the House recesses. We have not made an appointment at this stage, but wanted you to be aware of the thinking at this end. As we discussed the possibility of you attending with us, we will keep you posted on any schedule to meet.

I think that covers it. Happy to answer any questions you might have.

Many thanks again for meeting with us.

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